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APPLICANT(S): M. Shimada, et al.  
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FOR: BORDER ELIMINATING DEVICE, BORDER ELIMINATING METHOD,  
AND AUTHORIZING DEVICE

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Sir:

**RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICIAL  
ACTION REQUIRING ELECTION/RESTRICTION**

This is in response to the currently outstanding non-final Official Action in the above-identified case dated 10 May 2005.

Claims 1-12 are pending in the subject application. Claims 1-12 are subject to an election of species requirement.